

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

20. (Previously presented) A rotary slide valve for servo-assisted steering systems of motor vehicles, having an input element and an output element supported by means of a torsional spring and coupled to said input element with a limited rotational angle, and, fixed in terms of rotation to one of said elements, having a rotary slide and a control sleeve which, lying coaxially to one another, are provided with crossflow openings whose degree of congruence can be varied as a function of the rotational angle between the rotary slide and control sleeve and of which the control sleeve has an axial region which engages radially outwardly over the output element, said output element bearing a radial coupling pin which, inserted into a receptacle of the control sleeve, is held in the latter, tensioned by a spring, the receptacle, starting from an entry cross section of excess dimensions in relation to the coupling pin, tapers axially to a cross section region which is smaller than the cross section of the coupling pin, and the coupling pin is clamped into a position without play in the tapered cross sectional region of the receptacle, wherein the coupling pin is clamped axially by a spring ring which extends in the peripheral direction of the control sleeve and is assigned a clamping bevel.

21. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 20, wherein that the receptacle is open toward the end of the control sleeve.

22. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 20, wherein the receptacle is closed toward the end of the control sleeve.

23. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 20, wherein the clamping bevel is assigned to the control sleeve.

24. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 23, wherein the clamping bevel is assigned to an annular groove of the control sleeve.

25. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 24, wherein the annular groove has a flank which extends in a manner inclined radially inwardly toward the coupling pin as the clamping bevel.

26. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 20, wherein the clamping bevel is assigned to the coupling pin.

27. (Previously presented) The rotary slide valve as claimed in claim 26, wherein the clamping bevel is formed by a peripheral region of the coupling pin, said coupling pin tapering conically toward the control sleeve.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Cancelled)